To the Public Safety and Security Committee:

I write in **support** of the proposed bill redefining pistols. (**HB 6684**.)

The firearms that are addressed in this bill are NOT "Saturday Night Specials." They are small caliber target pistols. They are expensive and designed for a target shooting role, and are not the type of weapon favored by criminals. I doubt there ever has been a robbery or assault with a \$5,000 Olympic target pistol.

Certain characteristics of these pistols may cause them to fall into the definition of "assault weapon" although they are anything but. This proposed bill addresses that issue.

Section 1 (b) of the proposed legislation also calls for an annual review of weapons banned. This again is a positive step in keeping the proper balance between prohibited and permitted weapons.

For these reasons I support this raised Bill.

Sincerely,

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